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Mail Stop AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed October 10, 2006, said period of response being extended from January 10, 2007 to April 10, 2007.

Please charge deposit account No. 13-2725 in the appropriate amount to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

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